

## **MINUTES**

Oakdale, California  
August 6, 2024

The Board of Directors of the Oakdale Irrigation District invited all to recite the Pledge of Allegiance and then met in Session at the hour of 9:00 a.m. Upon roll call, there were present:

Directors: Tom Orvis, President  
Brad DeBoer, Vice President  
Linda Santos  
Herman Doornenbal  
Ed Tobias

Staff Present: Scot A. Moody, General Manager/Secretary  
Sharon Cisneros, Chief Financial Officer  
Eric Thorburn, District Engineer/Water Operations Manager  
Joe Kosakiewicz, Construction and Maintenance Manager  
Kim Bukhari, Human Relations Manager

Also Present: Fred Silva, General Counsel  
Tim O'Laughlin, Water Counsel (Closed Session only, via Zoom)

### **ADDITION OR DELETION OF AGENDA ITEMS**

There were no additions or deletions of Agenda Items.

### **ACTION TO TAKE VARIOUS ITEMS OUT OF SEQUENCE**

There were no items taken out of sequence.

At the hour of 9:02 a.m. the Board welcomed public comment.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

There were no public comments.

Public comment closed at 9:03 a.m. and the Board Meeting continued.

### **CONSENT CALENDAR** **ITEM NOS. 1-8**

1. Approve the Board of Directors Minutes of the Regular Meeting of July 2, 2024
2. Approve Oakdale Irrigation District's Statement of Obligations
3. Approve OID Improvement Districts' Statement of Obligations
4. Approve the Award of Bid to Portola Systems, Inc. for Server Hardware
5. Approve Rejection of Claim Submitted by Janice Arnett

6. Adopt the Resolution with San Joaquin County for Placement of Delinquent Charges on the 2024/2025 Tax Rolls
7. Adopt the Resolution Authorizing the Abandonment and Quitclaim of a Portion of the Rodden High Line Lateral (APN: 006-010-057)
8. Adopt the Resolution Authorizing the Abandonment and Quitclaim of the Town D Pipeline

A motion was made by Director Tobias and seconded by Director DeBoer to approve the above-noted Consent Item Nos. 1-8

Director DeBoer	Yes
Director Doornenbal	Yes
Director Orvis	Yes
Director Santos	Yes
Director Tobias	Yes

The motion passed by a 5/0 vote.

**ACTION CALENDAR**  
**ITEM NOS. 9-12**

**ITEM NO. 9**

**REVIEW AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE THE TREASURER'S  
REPORT, THE MID-YEAR BUDGET REPORT, AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDING JUNE 30, 2024**

A motion was made by Director Tobias and seconded by Director Santos to approve the Treasurer's Report, the Mid-Year Budget Report, and Financial Statements for the six months ending June 30, 2024.

At the hour of 9:15 a.m. the Board welcomed public comment on Item No. 9. There were no public comments.

Public comment closed at 9:15 a.m. on Item No. 9 and the Board Meeting continued.

Director DeBoer	Yes
Director Doornenbal	Yes
Director Orvis	Yes
Director Santos	Yes
Director Tobias	Yes

The motion passed by a 5/0 vote.

**ITEM NO. 10**

**REVIEW AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE THE FUND  
TRANSFERS OF DESIGNATED RESERVES**

A motion was made by Director Santos and seconded by Director Tobias to approve recommended fund transfers of Designated Reserves.

At the hour of 9:20 a.m. the Board welcomed public comment on Item No. 10. There were no public comments.

Public comment closed at 9:20 a.m. on Item No. 10 and the Board Meeting continued.

Director DeBoer	Yes
Director Doornenbal	Yes
Director Orvis	Yes
Director Santos	Yes
Director Tobias	Yes

The motion passed by a 5/0 vote.

**ITEM NO. 11**  
**DISCUSSION AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE THE REVISION**  
**OF THE ALCOHOL AND DRUG FREE WORKPLACE POLICY**

A motion was made by Director Santos and seconded by Director Doornenbal to approve the revised Prohibition on Drugs and Alcohol in the Workplace Policy as presented, which includes renaming the policy, removing outdated language and replacing the \$1,000 testing threshold with a reasonable suspicion criterion.

At the hour of 9:31 a.m. the Board welcomed public comment on Item No. 11. There were no public comments.

Public comment closed at 9:31 a.m. on Item No. 11 and the Board Meeting continued.

Director DeBoer	Yes
Director Doornenbal	Yes
Director Orvis	Yes
Director Santos	Yes
Director Tobias	Yes

The motion passed by a 5/0 vote.

**ITEM NO. 12**  
**REVIEW AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION**  
**FINDING THE SOUTH MAIN CANAL DOWNSTREAM TUNNEL 9 – CANAL**  
**ACCESS IMPROVEMENT PROJECT CATEGORICALLY EXEMPT UNDER**  
**THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA)**

A motion was made by Director Doornenbal and seconded by Director Santos to approve the Resolution finding the South Main Canal Downstream Tunnel 9 – Canal Access Improvement Project categorically exempt under the CEQA.

At the hour of 9:34 a.m. the Board welcomed public comment on Item No. 12. There were no public comments.

Public comment closed at 9:34 a.m. on Item No. 12 and the Board Meeting continued.

Director DeBoer	Yes
Director Doornenbal	Yes
Director Orvis	Yes
Director Santos	Yes
Director Tobias	Yes

The motion passed by a 5/0 vote.

**DISCUSSION**  
**ITEM NO. 13**

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**UPDATE AND DISCUSSION REGARDING THE GREGER FACILITY**  
**CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE**

An update was given by Joe Kosakiewicz, Construction & Maintenance Manager, regarding the Greger Facility construction scheduling and contractor performance.

**COMMUNICATIONS**  
**ITEM NOS. 14-17**

**ITEM NO. 14**  
**DIRECTOR'S COMMENTS/SUGGESTIONS**

**Director Tobias:**

Director Tobias stated that irrigation demand is starting to peak and it's slowing down a little bit. Encouraged all to be careful with valves because there will be nuts on the ground soon and repairs are expensive. He hears that deliveries are going well, and we got plenty of water this year and he appreciates the staff's efforts.

**Director Doornenbal:**

Director Doornenbal had no comments.

**Director Santos:**

Director Santos stated she is looking forward to all the new projects and seeing them accomplished. She hopes OID and the City considers a water treatment facility for the 10,000-acre feet of surface water that's available to them. She thinks it's important for SGMA that we start pushing the cities to join a partnership and doing what needs to be done so we can curtail some of the groundwater pumping.

**Director DeBoer:**

Director DeBoer had no comments.

**Director Orvis:**

Director Orvis shared that he and Mr. Scot Moody (General Manager) attended ACWA's Region 3 and 4 event.

Director Orvis announced he was given information on Notice of Intent (NOI) materials that sprayers will have to notify anyone (residences, schools, etc.) within a one (1) mile radius the exact location, time, date, and major materials/chemicals being used before spraying.

Director Orvis reported that, for those who hold PCA licenses or QALs, the State held an emergency meeting and annual fees went up on an emergency action from the State board.

Director Orvis concluded by thanking all District staff and the workforce.

**ITEM NO. 15**  
**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Water Committee:**

Director DeBoer reported that the Water Committee met with a constituent and there was no action taken by the committee.

**ITEM NO. 16**  
**GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT ON THE STATUS OF ACTIVITIES**

General Manager, Mr. Scot Moody, stated that Sharon Cisneros (Chief Financial Officer) provided a copy of the budget process for next year's budgeting and highlighted that there will be a tentative Finance Committee meeting on September 17, 2024.

Mr. Moody updated the Board that water is trending toward 220,000-acre feet by the end of September and that includes 4,800 out-of-district water that we serve locally.

Mr. Moody reported that he, Eric Thorburn (Water Operations Manager/District Engineer), and Director Santos, attended a meeting regarding the new Sierra Point Project where they provided a brief update of the project and the density of each section of the project was delineated. ID 22 could potentially be absorbed by the City of Oakdale as part of that project.

**ITEM NO. 17**  
**WATER COUNSEL REPORT**

President Orvis informed the public that Water Counsel was not present but would be joining the meeting during closed session.

At the hour of 10:13 a.m. President Orvis announced the items to be discussed in Closed Session and the Board welcomed public comment on Item Nos. 18 and 19.

There were no public comments. Public comment closed at 10:13 a.m. on Item Nos. 18 and 19 and the Board took a recess and convened to closed session at 10:27 a.m.

**CLOSED SESSION**  
**ITEM NOS. 18-19**

18. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION  
Pursuant to Government Code §54956.9(d)(2)  
Three (3) cases
19. PERSONNEL MATTER  
Pursuant to Government Code §54957(b)(1)  
Two (2) cases

***12:01 p.m. - Director Santos recused herself from two (2) cases under Closed Session Item No. 18 and left the Board Room.***


At the hour of 12:31 p.m. the Board reconvened to open session. Coming out of closed session, President Orvis stated that Director Santos recused herself on two (2) items in Closed Session and that there were no reportable actions from Closed Session.

**OTHER ACTION**

At the hour of 12:32 p.m. the meeting was adjourned. The Board Meeting of the **Oakdale Irrigation District Board of Directors** is scheduled for **Tuesday, September 3, 2024 at 9:00 a.m.** Details can be obtained by calling (209) 847-0341.

The next Joint Board Meeting of the **South San Joaquin and Oakdale Irrigation Districts** serving the **Tri-Dam Project** and **Tri-Dam Authority** and other joint business matters is scheduled for **Thursday, August 15, 2024 at 9:00 a.m.** in the board room at the office of South San Joaquin Irrigation District, 11011 East Highway 120, Manteca, CA.

Attest:

  
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Scot A. Moody  
General Manager/Secretary

  
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Thomas D. Orvis, President  
Board of Directors